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Author: Pleasants, Robert (1723-1801), comp.

Title: Virginia: in the High Court of Chancery, March 16, 1798. Between Robert Pleasants, son and heir of John Pleasants, dee'd. Plif. and Mary Logan, widow and administratrix of Charles Logan, and devisee of John Pleasants and Jonathan Pleasants ...

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Robert Pleasants was the leader of the Curles Meeting of Quakers in Henrico County; this suit was brought in order to emancipate all of the slaves in his late father's estate; his father's will had introduced a schedule for freeing all of his 430 slaves, who were dispersed among the farms of his children and grandchildren, in agreement with current Quaker antislavery ideals; yet many were still held in bondage by legatees of that estate, such as Mary Logan. Between March 1798 and March 1800, Pleasants's attorneys waged a successful campaign in Chancery Court to implement his father's plan; this imprint reports the court's decisions in his favor over that time, with several lists of slaves eligible for emancipation under those decisions.

Imprint lacks printer credit; Richmond printer Samuel Pleasants was a kinsman of Robert Pleasants (the son of a cousin to Robert), and so the publisher the Quaker leader employed when needed, though usually without the printer's mark, so the attribution here.

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